

CITY OF LAREDO CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**A-2015-R-18
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1110 HOUSTON STREET
LAREDO, TEXAS 78040
NOVEMBER 2, 2015
5:30 P.M.**



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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

IV. MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of October 19, 2015.

V. COMMUNICATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

Citizen comments

Citizens are required to fill out a witness card and submit it to the City Secretary no later than 5:45 p.m. and identify themselves at the microphone. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. No more than three (3) persons will be allowed to speak on any side of an issue. Should there be more than three (3) people who wish to speak on a

particular issue, they need to select not more than three (3) representatives to speak for them and the presiding officer may limit the public comments further in the interest of an orderly meeting. Speakers may not pass their minutes to any other speaker. Comments should be relevant to City business and delivered in a professional manner. No derogatory remarks will be permitted.

VI. INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

1. Setting the new speed limits on Sections of US 83, between Market Street and Palo Blanco Street within the city limits of Laredo, Webb County, Texas to 45 miles per hour, as defined in the Texas Department of Transportation Control Section Map CS0038-01, providing for the installation of appropriate signs to indicate new speed changes in the designated area and providing for publication and effective date. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**

VII. FINAL READING OF ORDINANCES

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2015-O-152 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 2-F, Block 2, Ramirez Business Park Subdivision , Phase I, located at 510 South Creek Drive, from B-4 (Highway Commercial District) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing District); providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-153 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lot 1, Block 1, Riverhill Commercial Subdivision , Unit XVII, located at 4180 S. US Highway 83, from 8-3 (Community Business District) to B-4 (Highway Commercial District); providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-154 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by authorizing an amendment to Ordinance 2013-0-021 authorizing a Conditional Use Permit for an auto body repair/auto paint shop on Lot 3, Block 1343, Eastern Division, located at 2315 Market Street, amending the site plan to include a portable office building and renew expired Conditional Use Permit (CUP); providing for publication and effective date.

2015-O-155 Amending the Zoning Ordinance (Map) of the City of Laredo by rezoning Lots 4 and 5, Block 470, Eastern Division, located at 317 E. Eistetter Street, from R-3 (Mixed Residential District) to B-1 (Limited Business District); providing for publication and effective date.

VIII. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

3.

2015-O-156 Ordinance granting of a non-exclusive franchise to Pedro Gonzalez IV DBA Pedro Pete Services, L.L.C. to use the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, roads, highways, sidewalks, easements and other public right-of-way of the City of Laredo, Texas for purposes of constructing, maintaining and operating a commercial container refuse gathering and disposing service, setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; providing a severability clause, a savings clause and an effective date.

2015-O-157 Ordinance granting of a non-exclusive franchise to Mario Sanchez DBA LAR-CON Services, L.L.C. to use the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, roads, highways, sidewalks, easements and other public right-of-way of the City of Laredo, Texas for purposes of constructing, maintaining and operating a commercial container refuse gathering and disposing service, setting forth terms and conditions to govern the franchise; providing a severability clause, a savings clause and an effective date.

IX. RESOLUTIONS

4. **2015-R-98** Accepting the conveyance of the following fifteen (15) foot Public Utility and Utility Access Easement, for the right to construct, reconstruct, repair and perpetually maintain water line improvements and fire hydrants for the construction of an 8" diameter water line from:

Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. By: Terry L. Hutchins - Vice President -
Utility easement as follows:

A tract of land containing 0.73 Acres (31,905 square feet) more or less being situated in Lot 2, Block 1, Killam Industrial Park, Unit 17 a copy of which conveyance is attached as Exhibits A & B:

And directing that said Easement be filed of record in official property

records of Webb County, Texas. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**

5. **2015-R-99** Accepting the conveyance of the following fifteen (15) foot Public Utility and Utility Access Easement, for the right to install, construct, reconstruct, repair and perpetually maintain a fire protection water line loop from:

United Independent School District (UISD) By: Javier Montemayor, Jr.,
Board President - Utility easement as follows:

A tract of land containing 1.04 Acres, more or less in Webb County, Texas, situated in Porcion 34, Abstract 762, a copy of which conveyance is attached as Exhibits A & B:

And directing that said Easement be filed of record in official property records of Webb County, Texas. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**

6. **2015-R-102** Casting 898 votes for Mayor Pro-Tempore Juan Narvaez, the City of Laredo's candidate to the Webb County Appraisal District Board of Directors for the 2016-2017 Term as per Section 6.03 of the Texas Property Tax Code; and directing the City Secretary to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Chief Appraiser of the Webb County Appraisal District before December 15, 2015.
7. **2015-R-103** Consideration to grant fee waivers and a tax abatement agreement between the City of Laredo and Sary, LTD for the residential property located at 405 Farragut St., being Lot 7 Block 97 Western Division. The proposed residential property eligible for property tax abatement includes the rehabilitation of a 2,070 sq. ft. structure in the total amount of \$22,310.00 which is equal to or in excess of 20% of the Base Value of the property in accordance with authorized guidelines and criteria established for the Neighborhood Empowerment Zone (NEZ). This agreement will be for a five (5) year period and will consist of an estimated annual tax abatement total of \$1,421.15 and estimated total fee waiver of \$454.50 based on capital investment for the purpose of economic development. Guidelines and criteria for the agreement are set forth in the attached agreement and information. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**
8. **2015-R-104** Authorizing the removal of the traffic signal located at the intersection of Cedar Avenue and Chihuahua Street which is no longer warranted as set forth in the Texas Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (TMUTCD). **(Approved by Operations Committee).**

9. **2015-R-105** Urging the citizens of Laredo to vote in favor of Proposition 7, a Constitutional Amendment, dedicating certain existing sales tax revenues to the Texas State Highway Fund.

X. MOTIONS

10. Authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute contracts with U.S. and Mexico print, billboard, and electronic media vendors listed in the enclosed attachment. The media buy plan are tourism destination advertisements for the Laredo Convention & Visitors Bureau and will be placed beginning November 2015. The total amount is not to exceed \$969,400.00. Funding is available in the CVB FY 2015-2016 budget. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**
11. Consideration for approval to ratify amendment no. 1, an increase of \$16,039.00 to the professional services contract with Structural Engineering Associates, Inc., San Antonio, Texas, to provide plans and specifications for the repair of deteriorated and damaged bridge expansion joints and the repair of deteriorated bridge deck with a dense concrete overlay for the Colombia International Bridge Erosion Control Project. Current contract with this amendment is \$62,125.30. Funding is available in the 2008 Bridge Revenue Bond – Improvements Other Than Buildings. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**
12. Consideration to authorize the purchase of nineteen (19) patrol units from Silsbee Ford, Silsbee, Texas in the amount of \$644,048.18. The purchase of these vehicles shall be made utilizing the BuyBoard Cooperative Purchasing Program. Funding is available in the 2015 Certificate of Obligation Bond. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**
13. Consideration to authorize a purchase contract with the sole source provider, Utility Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$126,331.00 for the purchase of nineteen (19) digital video camera systems for the new Police Department patrol vehicles. Funding is available in the 2015 Certificate of Obligation Bond. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**
14. Consideration to authorize a purchase contract with Motorola, Inc., through the Houston-Galveston Area Council of Governments (H-GAC) Cooperative Purchasing Program contract No. RA05-15, in the amount of \$90,252.85 for the purchase of nineteen (19) mobile radios for the new Police Department patrol vehicles. Funding is available in the 2015 Certificate of Obligation Bond. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**

15. Consideration to authorize a purchase contract with RZ Communications, the only authorized dealer for the acquisition of nineteen (19) Mobileye Vehicle Detection System and Zebra Mobile Printers, and the purchase of nineteen (19) Mobile Computer Terminals (MCT'S) through contract No. DIR-TSO-2520 for the new Police Department patrol vehicles for a total amount of \$181,161.67. Funding is available in the 2015 Certificate of Obligation Bond. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**

16. Consideration to authorize a purchase contract with RZ Communications, the sole source dealer and installer for Stalker Radars in Webb County, in the amount of \$50,835.00 for the purchase of nineteen (19) radar systems for the new Police Department patrol vehicles. Funding is available in the 2015 Certificate of Obligation and the Police Department's General Fund Budget. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**

17. Consideration to renew and amend annual service contract FY14-042 by 25% to the following vendors:

1. Laredo Mechanical, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$260,000.00;
2. Gutierrez Machine Shop, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$125,000.00; and
3. Odessa Pumps, Midland, Texas in an amount up to \$125,000.00

for water treatment and wastewater treatment, booster stations, and lift stations pump repairs for the Utilities Department. This contract establishes hourly rates and a percentage discount on parts utilized during emergency pump repairs. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. There will be no price increase during this extension period. All services will be purchased on an as needed basis. Funding is available in the Utilities Department Fund. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**

18. Consideration to renew annual supply contract FY14-008 for the purchase of Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) parts for the City's fleet vehicle repairs to the following vendors:

1. Paul Young Auto, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$50,000.00,

2. Laredo Dodge Chrysler Jeep, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$35,500.00, and
3. Freedom Chevrolet & Dodge, Dallas, Texas in an amount up to \$20,000.00

The primary contract vendors are the local General Motors and Dodge Chrysler dealerships for these OEM parts contracts. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. There will be no price increase during this extension period. This is the last extension period for this contract. All parts will be secured on an as needed basis. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**

19. Consideration to renew the existing annual service contract FY14-007 for the purchase of Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) parts/service for the City's Caterpillar heavy equipment currently awarded to Holt CAT, Laredo, Texas, in an amount up to \$325,000.00. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. All parts will be secured on an as needed basis. Holt CAT is requesting a price increase on labor rates due to an industry wide increase. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**
20. Consideration to renew annual contract FY14-016 for the repair and replacement of hydraulic cylinders for the City's heavy equipment fleet to the following vendors:
 1. Laredo Mechanical, Laredo, Texas, in an amount up to \$65,000.00, and
 2. Cervantes Truck Center, Laredo, Texas, in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.00.

All repair services will be secured on an as needed basis. All parts will be purchased on an as needed basis. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. There will be no price increase during this extension period. This is the last extension period for this contract. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**

21. Consideration to renew contract FY14-017 for the general diesel engine repairs parts/service for the City's Fleet Division to the following vendors:

1. Cervantes Truck Center, Laredo, Texas, in an amount up to \$100,000.00, and
2. Rotex Truck Center, Laredo, Texas in an amount up to \$20,000.00.

All parts and services will be secured on an as needed basis. The term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning as of the date of its execution. There will be no price increase during this extension period. Funding is available in the Fleet Maintenance Budget. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**

22. Consideration to award contracts for the purchase of heavy equipment for the Solid Waste Services Division and Environmental Department utilizing the BuyBoard and H-GAC Cooperative Contract Pricing to the following vendors:

1. RDO Equipment, New Braunfels, Texas in the amount of \$73,828.00 for the purchase of one (1) backhoe loader;
2. Holt Caterpillar, San Antonio, Texas in the amount of \$482,736.00 for the purchase of one (1) dozer.

Funding is available in the Solid Waste and Environmental Department budgets. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**

23. Consideration to award contracts for the purchase of seven (7) refuse trucks for the Solid Waste Services Division and one medium duty truck for the Fleet Department utilizing the BuyBoard and H-GAC Cooperative Contract Pricing to the following vendors:

1. Rush Truck Center, Laredo, Texas in the total amount of \$1,012,376.05 for the purchase of seven (7) cab and chassis trucks (garbage trucks), BuyBoard contract 430-13;
2. Dadee Manufacturing, Phoenix, Arizona in the total amount of \$860,825.00 for the purchase seven (7) automated side loader refuse bodies (garbage trucks), BuyBoard contract 425-13;
3. Santex Truck Centers, San Antonio, Texas in the total amount

\$70,968.00 for the purchase of one medium duty truck (H-GAC contract HT06-14).

Funding is available in the Solid Waste and Fleet Department Budgets.
(Approved by Operations Committee).

24. Consideration to authorize the purchase of three-thousand five hundred and twenty eight (3,528) garbage/refuse carts from Toter Inc., Statesville, North Carolina, through the H-GAC Cooperative Purchasing Contract GC01-13 in the total amount of \$219,486.96. Funding is available in the Solid Waste Services Budget. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**
25. Authorizing the City Manager to select a consulting firm and negotiate contract FY15-063 for the Convention Center Feasibility Study (Update). This Convention Center Feasibility Study includes: an updated market analysis, market condition, community/regional facilities, market potential, suggested building design/specifications, economic/ fiscal impact analysis and other infrastructure needs. Funding is available in the Capital Improvement Fund.
26. Discussion and possible action to accept, modify or reject the ranking of consultants for the City's Comprehensive Plan as submitted by the RFQ Scoring Committee and authorizing the City Manager to negotiate a contract with the top ranked consultant.
27. Authorizing the City Manager to negotiate the purchase of 1287 Acre/Feet of Class A and 1029 Acre/Feet of Class B for a total of 2,316 Acre/Feet water rights and 927 acres of land; funding is available in the Water Fund - Water Availability division. Upon agreement, a motion will be presented to City Council for approval. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**
28. Consideration for approval of Amendment No. 5, to Black & Veatch Corporation associated with Civil Engineering Consultants Corporation dba Jeff Puig Engineering in the amount of \$99,500.00 for additional services for construction engineering for the 60-Inch Water Transmission Main Project from El Pico Ranch on Mines Road to IH 35. The revised contract amount is \$1,662,050.00. Funding is available in the 2014 Water Revenue Bond.
(Approved by Operations Committee).

29. Authorizing the City Manager to award a contract to the lowest bidder, Ace Pipe Cleaning, Inc. from Kansas City, MO in the amount of \$481,908.00 for the South Laredo 36" Sanitary Sewer Collector Assessment Project and authorizing the City Manager to execute all related contract documents contingent upon receipt of insurance and bond documents. Project consists of High Definition Closed Circuit Televising (HDCCTV), Sonar and Laser assessment, also accurate mapping of three (3) 20" double barrel siphons, By-pass pumping plan and Traffic Control Plan. Contract time is 45 working days. Funding is available in the 2014 Sewer System Revenue Bond. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**
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XI. STAFF REPORTS

30. Status on City's Classification and Compensation Review (MGT of America, Inc.), with possible action.
31. Presentation and discussion with possible action on the August 26, 2015 proposal submitted by Killam Development for the Coves.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council hereby reserves the right to go into executive session at any time during this public meeting, if such is requested by the City Attorney or other legal counsel for the City, pursuant to his or her duty under Section 551.071(2) of the Government Code, to consult privately with his or her client on an item on the agenda, or on a matter arising out of such item.

XIII. RECESS AS THE LAREDO CITY COUNCIL AND CONVENE AS THE LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD

32. Authorizing the City Manager to Accept and Execute a grant application with the Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) in the amount of \$546,161.00 for Fiscal Year 2015 Section 5307 Urbanized Area authorized under the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) to be used for Operating Assistance, Capital Preventive Maintenance, and Transit Improvements. The \$546,161.00 is the remaining balance of the "Full Apportionment" for FY2015 in the amount of \$3,268,008.00. The Transit's local match is available in the Transit's Sales Tax Fund. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**

33. Consideration to renew annual supply contract number FY12-096 to the best value bidder, Arguindegui Oil Company Inc., Laredo, Texas, in the estimated amount of \$1,796,382.00 for the purchase of unleaded and diesel fuel for the Transit system's fleet. During the contract period, the unit prices will be determined by adding the bid price to the daily published Oil Price Information Service (OPIS) index made up of the composite posted prices in the Laredo area. The weekly price shall be the OPIS low rack average price for the Laredo area, plus the fixed price differential bid by the successful bidder. This will be the third and final - one (1) year extension to renew this contract. Start time of contract will be January 2016 through December 2016. Funding is available in the Transit Management Maintenance Fund. **(Approved by Operations Committee).**

XIV. RECESS AS THE LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD AND RECONVENE AS THE LAREDO CITY COUNCIL

GENERAL COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATION

A. Request by Mayor Pete Saenz

1. Status report on the Old Mercy Hospital located on Logan Avenue, with possible action.

B. Request by Council Member Alejandro "Alex" Perez

1. Discussion with possible action on establishing a pilot program within the Neighborhood Empowerment Zone to prohibit the parking of vehicles in front yards other than in a driveways which cause a public nuisance.
2. Discussion with possible action on effectively controlling the growth of weeds on City right of ways.
3. Discussion with possible action to accept home school degrees as a valid education credential for prospective employees and applicants.

C. Mayor Pro-Tempore Juan Narvaez

1. Status report from Landscapes Unlimited on the Max Mandel Municipal Golf Course for the past four (4) months, with possible action.

XVI. ADJOURN

This notice was posted at the Municipal Government Offices, 1110 Houston Street, Laredo, Texas, at a place convenient and readily accessible to the public at all times. Said notice was posted on Wednesday, October 28, 2015 at 5:45 pm.

Gustavo Guevara, Jr.
City Secretary